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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE

ACTION AND
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EXAMINATION

MAIL STOP - RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 22, 2007, Applicants respectfully petition for a two-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination, and submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page $\underline{2}$ of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.